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SUBJECT: US-SRV NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS

1. YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAN HAN HSU, APPARENTLY ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS, WENT OUT OF HIS WAY TO BLAST VIETNAMESE AS PAWN OF SOVIETS IN AUGUST 2 CONVERSATION WITH ZBIG. HE ALSO WARNED THAT WESTERN ECONOMIC SUPPORT FOR VIETNAM WOULD HELP VIETNAM STAY AFLOAT WHILE THE SOVIETS TIGHTENED MILITARY AND POLITICAL CONTROL THERE. HE SAID US RESPONSE TO VIETNAM ON NORMALIZATION WAS "YOUR AFFAIR" BUT LEFT CLEAR IMPRESSION THAT CHINESE HOPED WE WOULD MOVE CAUTIOUSLY PARTICULARLY ON ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

2. MORE DETAIL WILL BE PROVIDED SEPARATELY. WE DO NOT PLAN TO INITIATE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CHINESE ON THIS SUBJECT AT THIS TIME.

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